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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: RICE FOR CAMBODIA

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1. WE CONTACTED LY KIM HENG OF SONEXIM BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE TO BANGKOK IN ORDER TO CONFIRM REFTEL CLAIMS. FROM OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE DEVELOPMENTS TO DATE CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF THAI SHIPS AND FROM DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE WHICH WE HAVE SEEN AND WHICH LY KIM HENG IS BRINGING WITH HIM TO SHOW EMBASSY/ BANGKOK, IT IS OBVIOUS THAT THE CLAIM CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE L/C WAS SUPPOSED TO BE CONFIRMED BY BANQUE DE L'INDOCHINE IN SINGAPORE INSTEAD OF BANGKOK IS ANOTHER EXCUSE TO DELAY LOADING IN THE HOPE THAT THAI BOTTOMS MIGHT STILL BE AVAILABLE.

2. IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THE DELIVERY BEFORE AUGUST 15, LY KIM HENG QUERIED THE THAIS (THAISHIP) TWICE WHETHER THEY CAN OFFER THAI VESSEL. BOTH INQUIRIES WERE IGNORED. CONSEQUENTLY, THERE WAS NOTHING LEFT TO HIM EXCEPT TO FIND VESSEL OF OTHER FLAGS, WHICH HE DID.

3. LY KIM HENG LEFT THIS MORNING TOGETHER WITH THE DIRECTOR OF BANQUE INADANA JATI AS WELL AS THE OWNER OF TWO VESSELS WHICH

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WILL ARRIVE IN BANGKOK SHORTLY TO LOAD AND COMPLETE THE DELIVERY

BEFORE AUGUST 15TH. THE THREE KHMER ARE BRINGING DOCUMENTARY
EVIDENCE OF PAST DEVELOPMENTS SO AS TO AVOID FURTHER EXCUSES ON
PART OF THAIS TO DELIVER THE RICE.
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